

February 21, 2024

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA

Clerk, U.S. District Court
District of Montana
Missoula Division

IN RE: CLOSURE OF CENTRAL
VIOLATIONS BUREAU (CVB)
CASES

STANDING ORDER NO. BMM-30

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Central Violations Bureau (CVB) cases shall be presumptively considered suitable for closure after pending for two or more years unless cause is shown why the case should remain open.

To effectuate this order, the clerk of this court shall, on an annual basis, compile a report of all CVB cases that have been pending for a period of two years or longer. As to each such case, the clerk shall notify the United States Attorney's Office that the case will be closed unless the United States Attorney's Office is able to show cause why the case file should remain open. The United States Attorney's Office shall have no fewer than 30 days from the date of the clerk's notice in which to respond and show cause.

Attempts to show cause why a case file should remain open shall be considered and resolved via written order by the presiding judge or, in the event the presiding judge is no longer serving on the court, by the chief judge or his or her designee. In the absence of a timely response to the clerk's notice, the clerk shall close the case in question pursuant to this order.

At the conclusion of the annual review process, the clerk shall make a report to the court of all cases closed pursuant to this order.

The clerk of court is directed to post this order on the court's public website and to notify the judicial officers of this district of the entry of this order.

DATED this 21st day of February, 2024.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Brian Morris", is positioned above a horizontal line.

Brian Morris, Chief Judge
United States District Court